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**Amendment to the Abstract:**

The Abstract has been amended. A revised Abstract is attached.

A multivalued information recording method in which energy applied to information units on a recording medium is varied to record multivalued information<sub>7,1</sub>

~~wherein in In~~ accordance with a relationship between the multivalued information in a predetermined information unit and the multivalued information in ~~both~~ of information units adjacent to the predetermined information unit, the energy ~~to-be~~ applied to the predetermined information unit is decided.

Attachment